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Dear Interested Citizen:

We recently completed an environmental assessment (EA) for the Iron Creek Amendment Application and Road Construction. The proposed project is to grant Spalding and Son, Inc., a permit to construct approximately 624 feet of road across BLM in T37S, R6W, Section 26 (see attached map). The road would be blocked at the junction with road 37-6-22 after use. Downspouts (half rounds) would be added to two existing culverts to reduce erosion and sediment input into the stream. Spalding would also use the following BLM roads to haul forest products from their lands (37-6-22, 37-6-23, 37-6-23.1, and 37-5-14). Haul roads would be bladed, the ditches and culverts would be cleaned, and some brushing may occur. Two new 18 inch culverts would also be installed.

We have placed the EA on our website (www.or.blm.gov/Medford) under planning documents / environmental assessments if you would like to review and comment on the EA. If you do not have internet access and would like to receive a paper copy of the EA, we will be happy to send you one upon request. The EA will be available for review and comment through August 30, 2004.

If you have questions about the project that are not addressed in the EA, please contact Dave Allen at (541) 618-2472. If you would like to comment on the EA, please mail your comments to me at the above address or email them to us at or110mb@or.blm.gov. As I make my decisions regarding the project, I will consider all pertinent site specific comments. Comments are most useful when they clearly articulate site specific issues or concerns.

If you would like to comment confidentially, you may request that we withhold your name and address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. Please state this clearly at the beginning of your written comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All comments received from organizations or officials of organizations or businesses will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

We appreciate your interest and involvement in this project and thank you for your continuing interest in the resource management activities of the BLM and the Grants Pass Resource Area.

Sincerely,

Abbie Jossie
Field Manager
Grants Pass Resource Area

1 Attachment

1 - Project Map (1 pp)